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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9 AT SEATTLE

10 SEA SHEPHERD LEGAL,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 NATIONAL OCEANIC AND
14 ATMOSPHERIC
ADMINISTRATION, et al.,

15 Defendants.

CASE NO. C19-0463JLR

ORDER GRANTING
STIPULATED MOTION

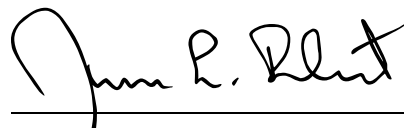
16 Before the court is the parties' stipulated motion to stay the dispositive motion
17 briefing schedule set by the court on August 6, 2019. (Stip. Mot. (Dkt. # 18); *see also*
18 8/6/19 Order (Dkt. # 13).)

19 Pursuant to the briefing schedule set by the court, Defendants National Oceanic
20 and Atmospheric Administration and National Marine Fisheries Services filed a motion
21 for summary judgment on September 6, 2019 (Dkt. # 14), and Plaintiff Sea Shepherd
22 Legal filed a response and a cross-motion for summary judgment on September 27, 2019

(Dkt. # 17). The parties now inform the court that Defendants are in the process of collecting and producing additional documents in response to Plaintiff's FOIA requests at issue in this case and a related case pending before the court, *Sea Shepherd Legal v. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, et al.*, Case No. C19-1485JLR. (See Stip. Mot. at 2-3.) The parties jointly ask the court to stay the dispositive motion briefing schedule due to the possibility that Defendants' anticipated productions obviate the need for additional motions practice. (See *id.*) The parties also propose that they file a joint status report on or before November 8, 2019 in order to keep the court informed of the status of this matter. (See *id.* at 3.)

The court GRANTS the parties' stipulated motion (Dkt. # 18) and VACATES the remainder of its dispositive motions briefing schedule (Dkt. # 13). The court also DIRECTS the Clerk to remove Defendants' motion for summary judgment (Dkt. # 14) and Plaintiffs' response and cross-motion (Dkt. # 17) from its calendar, but without prejudice to the parties re-noting their motions or filing amended motions at a later date. Finally, the court ORDERS the parties to file a joint status report by no later than November 8, 2019.

Dated this 11th day of October, 2019.



JAMES L. ROBART
United States District Judge